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SUBJECT: WORKING GROUP OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY-TASK FORCE II

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1. RE PARA 2 REF A, GUATEMALA IS PREPARING PAPERS TO FACILITATE THE WORK OF TASK FORCE II. ACCORDING TO DR. MANUEL NORIEGA MORALES, DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY (ICAITI)N THESE PAPERS WILL TAKE FORM OF INITIAL POSITIONS OF GOG ON EACH AGENDA ITEM. NORIEGA FORESEES THAT THE GUATEMALAN POSITIONS "WILL NOT NECESSARILY EXPRESS UNIVERSALLY AGREED CONCEPTS, BUT WILL SERVE TO OPEN UP DISCUSSIONS".

2. A GUATEMALAN COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF SCIENTISTS AND ADMINISTRATORS IS NOW MEETING WEEKLY TO PREPARE GOG POSITIONS. IT'S GENERAL
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THRUST IS TOWARD CREATING A CENTRAL MECHANISM TO PROMOTE SCIENCE

AND TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER. NORIEGA BELIEVES TASK FORCE II SHOULD AVOID A "LAUNDRY LIST APPROACH", CONSISTING IN REVIEW OF POSSIBLE PROJECTS, BUT INSTEAD CONCENTRATE ON ACHIEVING "MULTIPLIER EFFECT" THRU THE "CENTRAL MECHANISM" WHICH WOULD "STRENGTHEN EXISTING INSTITUTIONS AND PROMOTE THE FORMATION NEW ONES WHERE ADDITIONAL CATALYSTS APPEAR NECESSARY".

3. COMPOSITION OF GUATEMALAN COMMITTEE FOR TASK FORCE II PREPARATION AS FOLLOWS:

A. VICEMIN OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS ING. ALFREDO OBIOLS GOMEZ,
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B. ING. MARIO MARTINEZ, DIRECTOR, INSTITUTE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY-ICTA-AN ENTITY SUPPORTED BY ROCKEFELLER FOUNDATION;

C. DR. FERNANDO VITERI, NUTRITIONAL INSTITUTE OF CENTRAL AMERICA AND PANAMA(INCAP8/

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F. LIC. FRANCISCO AGUIRRE, ICAITI;

G. SR. JULIO P. MATHEU, PRIVATE SECTOR REP, PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY;

H. LIC. ARMANDO GONZALEZ CAMPO, DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC PLANNING, BANK OF GUATEMALA;

I. LIC VICENTE SECAIRA, MINISTRY OF ECONOMY.

4. RE PARA 2 REF B, WHILE VICE-MINISTER OBIOLS IS CHAIRING PREPARATORY SESSIONS, IT APPEARS THAT NORIEGA MORALES IS MOST APPROPRIATELY INDICATED AS "PERSON HANDLING SUBSTANTIVE PREPARATIONS". OFFICE FOLLOWING WORK OF WGSTT FOR EMBASSY AND POINT OF CONTACT WITH LOCAL OFFICIAL IS ROBERT N. ALLEN-ROCAP.
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